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In response to the outstanding Official Action of October 30, 2008, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on January 30, 2009, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding objection and rejection set forth in the above mentioned Official Action in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper:

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper: